

## November 14, 2018 Email to Mini-Atom Parents

We are excited to start the 4th Season for our Mini-Atom 4 year old group! There are 30 Mini-Atoms who will be skating!! It is fun to see the second generation of Flyers registered as well siblings of current Flyers and all the new Flyers!! Welcome and we know you will have fun!

The Mini-Atoms first ice time is this Sunday, November 18 from 3:15-4:00pm at the Scheels IcePlex. This will be our regular ice time for the season. There will be no practice on Super Bowl Sunday, February 3. Our last ice time of the season will be Sunday, February 24.

### Information For You!

- Equipment - If you are still in need of rental equipment, I have copied our Equipment Manager, Ryan Webb. Ryan coaches several teams, so please make arrangements at his convenience to get gear. If you wish to purchase your own gear, Play It Again and Hockey Headquarters have a good supply of used equipment. Each player will provide their own skates and stick. Make sure if you are buying skates for your player that you get them properly fitted. The kids will not need sticks at their first ice time. Coaches will provide information on stick length and curve vs no curve at our meeting following ice time.
- I will be at the rink prior to the first ice time with a jersey for each player. Make sure to check in to receive your player's jersey.
- Our locker room assignments and our ice rink assignment will be posted on the scrolling video board inside the south entrance of the IcePlex. We should be listed as SFYHA Mini-Atoms and typically have 2 locker rooms. Players will need to dress in the locker room and not in the lobby.
- Please remember to have your child use the restroom before they get on the ice. This will minimize distraction and maximize our valuable ice time.
- Each Sunday we will have a snack and drink for each player. I will have a sign up sheet on Sunday for parents to pick their date and either drinks or snacks on Nov 18. I have a volunteer bringing drinks for 30 kiddos on November 18. If you are willing to do snacks on November 18 - please let me know.
- Coaches - We currently have Dan Byron, Sam Everson, John McCollister, Kevin Miller, Lance Staples, Cassie Jones and Kristina Tegethoff as Mini-Atom coaches. If you are interested in coaching Mini-Atoms, please let me know. Per USA Hockey rules, all coaches must wear a helmet while on the ice.
- Pictures - We will be taking individual pictures and group pictures on Sunday, December 2. Picture packets and times will be available on Sunday.
- Birth Certificates - If you have not submitted a copy of your child's government issued birth certificate, please bring copy on Sunday.
- ***At the conclusion of the first practice, we will have a group meeting to go over items and answer questions. We will be meeting in the Sanford Conference Room. In previous years we have met prior to ice time - but experience is we need that time to get the kiddos ready for the ice.***

Look forward to seeing all of you at the rink on Sunday and please let us know if you have any questions!

